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IT'S DIPHTHERIA

Special Meeting of the Board of Health.

TOTAL, FOUR CASES TO DATE

Has Made its Appearance in Different Localities.

Houses May be Quarantined. Circular Letters to Various Physicians.

A 45-minute special session of the Board of Health was held at the usual place, 12:30 p. m. Saturday, for the purpose of discussing and deciding upon some plan of action in regard to the appearance of diphtheria in the city. Those present at the meeting were: President Smith, Drs. Wood, Howard and Alvarez; Messrs. Reynolds, Lamsin and Kelliop.

Drs. Howard and Wood reported to the board the cases of diphtheria already developed, and the circumstances connected with their discovery. There had been four cases brought to the notice of the city physician, as follows:

1. The case of the native child, whose home was near the Catholic Cemetery on King street. It will be remembered that the parents called at the Government Dispensary with the child. The physician in charge suspected diphtheria and took the young patient to Dr. Wood's office, where death resulted before the physicians were able to do anything. Some of the mucus from the dead child's throat was taken to Dr. Alvarez, who, after making a culture, proved beyond a doubt that death had been caused by that treacherous disease—diphtheria. This was the first case, and every precaution was taken to prevent a spread.

2. This case was discovered during the early part of last week in a house on Emma street, the victim being a German child. The physician in attendance did not suspect diphtheria. The child died, and Dr. Wood, deeming the case a suspicious one, obtained part of the larynx and gave it to Dr. Alvarez for examination. A culture was made, and, as in the first case, unmistakable proof of diphtheria was the result.

3. This case was developed in a Japanese child in Moiliili and reported by Dr. Kojima. The city physician called, made an examination, and, after the usual lapse of time necessary for making a culture, had absolute proof of the existence of the disease in question.

4. The last case was discovered on Queen street, opposite the Judiciary building, the child being a native. It seemed to be the opinion of the board that the matter was a very grave one, the fact of the disease having made its appearance in four parts of the city, widely separated, being especially significant. After the reports of the physicians, it was moved and carried that the matter of quarantining premises where diphtheria might be found to exist and all precautions necessary, be kept in the hands of Dr. Howard and Executive Officer Reynolds.

It was moved and carried that the secretary be instructed to send circular letters to the various practicing physicians of the city, asking them to report to the board any suspicious cases that might happen to come to their notice.

Secretary Wilcox sent out some 30 of these circular letters Saturday afternoon.

an epidemic has been raging for some time past. After discussing various other matters in connection with the existence of diphtheria in the city, the board adjourned.

Sailors Scale Prison Wall.

At 9:45 a. m. Saturday Keola, a native trusty, ran up into the receiving station from the police station yard, saying two sailors, Gordon and Mills, from the C. D. Bryant, had scaled the wall. Upon investigation, it was found that the fellows had gotten over by putting one of the benches up against the wall. Police officers were sent out at once, and Conley and Kupihea caught the men in Allen & Robinson's lumber yard. The statement made in an afternoon paper that V. J. Faggers, the day turnkey, was upstairs getting his picture taken is altogether erroneous. He was upstairs on work for the police station, and had a perfect right to be where he was. True, there was a camera in the vicinity, but it was not pointed toward the turnkey.

IMPORTANT RAID.

Kaapa and His Men Clean Out a Notorious Joint.

Detective Kaapa and his men made a raid on an opium joint above the pork shop of Yee Wo, on King street, about 6:30 last evening, and succeeded in capturing nine smokers, together with Young E, the proprietor. This place has long been suspected by the police, and several attempts to get into the joint have resulted in failure. Not long ago Gus Cordes came very nearly getting his head taken off by one of the large barricaded doors. Kaapa and his men went about it in a quiet manner, climbed up on the roof, kicked in a small boarded window, for escape, in case of the approach of officers, and, jumping in, took the Chinamen so by surprise that they did not even have time to do away with any of their opium or outfits. They were all arrested and locked up.

Young E confessed to the ownership of the joint, and will probably plead guilty to the charge of unlawful possession of opium in the Police Court today. The others would say nothing. The joint was one of the most perfectly barricaded of any that have ever been discovered in the city. There are two rooms next to the roof. After going up a flight of stairs from a lane, one is met by a heavy door. This is bolted on the inside by means of a heavy wooden bar. A hole about three inches in diameter is provided with a shutter, so that a man on guard may see who is approaching. Up another flight of stairs one comes to another heavy door with three heavy wooden bars in front of it, and which can be locked by a combination from inside. This opens into the smoking rooms proper—two little bits of places hardly large enough to move about in.

To the right of the last door is a hole which, when the top is pulled up, looks down into the butcher shop below. Through this the signals for customers are given.

In one of the smoking rooms is a large funnel arrangement connecting with a cesspool below. Through this the opium and outfits are thrown at the approach of the police.

Kaapa and his men deserve great credit for cleaning out this notorious joint.

THE ENTERTAINER.

Frank Lincoln Scores a Signal Success.

Frank Lincoln's reputation as a humorist is established in Honolulu. Owing to the obstacles people encounter in trying to make themselves believe that one man can make them laugh, the house was not well filled. The loss fell principally to those who remained away, for the people who attended the performance were so well pleased that the end came much too soon.

Mr. Lincoln, besides being a wonderful mimic, is a clever pianist and singer. His imitations are more than wonderful; they are marvelous, and the range is as broad as all outdoors.

It makes no difference what the nationality the person may be who strikes Mr. Lincoln's funny bone, he is equal to the emergency of reproducing him before his audience. In French, German or Italian, whether he speaks the languages or not, Mr. Lincoln has the faculty of making the people believe he can.

At the entertainment tomorrow evening he will have an entire change of program.

Sydney's Frozen Meat.

SYDNEY, April 15.—The steamer Cornwall has sailed for London with 84,614 carcasses of mutton and a large consignment of joints of mutton and beef. This constitutes the record shipment of meat from Sydney.

OFF FOR LONDON

Hawaiian Delegation to Queen's Jubilee.

MAJOR IAUKEA AS ATTACHE

Will Convey Congratulations to Queen.

On Previous Missions for Former Government—Some of His Decorations.

Maj. Curtis P. Iaukea, of President Dole's staff, who accompanies the Hon. S. M. Damon to England as attache and secretary of legation, has on former occasions represented this country aboard in various capacities, the first being his mission to Moscow, as the bearer of the King's congratulations to their Imperial Majesties, the Emperor and Empress of Russia, on



MAJ. CURTIS P. IAUKEA.
Attache and Secretary Hawaiian Legation at London, England.

the occasion of their coronation in 1883.

As the representative of this country on that occasion, Major Iaukea was invested with the Grand Cross of the Imperial Order of Saint Stanislaus. On that same mission he was intrusted by the then Government with important matters of state, chief among which was the East Indian and Japanese immigration, the question of labor being at that time of vital importance to the chief industry of the country.

As a result of this mission the Labor Convention between this country and Japan was successfully negotiated. R. W. Irwin, the present Hawaiian Minister Resident to Japan, accompanied Mr. Iaukea on his return to Hawaii to conclude negotiations.

The last important foreign mission intrusted by the Hawaiian Government to Mr. Iaukea, and one of which he is most proud, was when, as Chamberlain of the Royal Household, he accompanied Queen Kapiolani, at present the Queen Dowager, and the ex-Queen, Liliuokalani, then her apparent, to London, on the occasion of Her Majesty, Queen Victoria's jubilee in 1887. The royal visitors were graciously received by Her Majesty, and during their entire stay in London were the guests of the British Sovereign.

In commemoration of that visit, Major Iaukea received the Jubilee Medal, which he will probably wear with distinction on the occasion of his visit to London with Mr. Damon. Among Major Iaukea's greatest treasures are the various decorations he has been invested with by foreign monarchs on occasions of his visits to their courts as the representative of Kalakaua. Some of these are exceedingly high in class. Among the decorations are the Grand Crosses and Cordons of the royal orders of Saint Stanislaus of Russia and Takoro of Serbia; grand officers crosses of the Crown of Italy; St. Olav of Sweden, and Rising Sun of Japan; officer of the Legion of Honor of France, besides four of the five Hawaiian decorations invested by the late King and other medals of lesser note. On the occasion

of his visit to England, in 1887, the King intrusted him with a number of shell necklaces, which he was to present to the daughters of the Prince and Princess of Wales. In acknowledging Major Iaukea's kindness, the Prince presented him with a handsome diamond ring.

Mr. Iaukea has held with honor and credit many important posts in this country at various times during Kalakaua's reign. He has been Collector General of Customs, Chamberlain of the Royal Household, Secretary of the Foreign Office, Governor of the Island of Oahu, Secretary of the Privy Council of State, Commissioner and Agent of Crown Lands, Adjutant General of the forces, as well as other honorary positions. He was born in Waimaea, Hawaii, 41 years ago. He received his education in the school conducted by Archdeacon Mason at what is now known as Iolani College. Twenty-two years ago he was given a clerkship in the Interior Department, under Chief Clerk Hassinger, and has remained in Government service since then. He is a genial gentleman and extremely popular with whom he comes in contact. He was a special favorite of Kalakaua, and when the remains of that monarch were brought here on the Charleston, Mr. Iaukea was selected by the Queen Dowager to represent her when the remains were conveyed to the Palace. Just two years ago this lady presented him with the handsome gold watch worn by Kalakaua at the time of his death in San Francisco. At present Mr. Iaukea is chief clerk of the Government Land Department, under Mr. Brown.

ZARRAGA HAS SURRENDERED.
Volunteers Cannot be Secured in Madrid.

HAVANA, April 16.—A dispatch from Libertad, Province of Pinar del Rio, says that the well-known insurgent leader, Julian Zarraga, who is charged with having blown up several trains with dynamite, has surrendered to the Spanish authorities there with five of his followers.

The latest news from Madrid is that efforts made by the Spanish Government in agreement with private companies to recruit volunteers for the war in Cuba have failed completely. Only 200 men enlisted.

Some Republican newspapers in Madrid say this failure is due to reports of the great suffering among the Spanish soldiers in Cuba for lack of food and the Government's slowness in the payment of troops. Conservatives in Spain, as well as in Cuba, say the failure is entirely the work of the Republicans and Liberals, who, at the beginning of the winter, made a sensational press campaign against the dishonest military administration in Cuba.

WILL WELCOME CECIL RHODES
He is Expected in Cape Town on Tuesday.

CAPE TOWN (South Africa), April 18.—Cecil Rhodes is expected to arrive here next Tuesday. Great preparations are making for demonstrations in his honor and for public rejoicing over his return. He will take a seat in the Colonial Parliament again.

The British squadron which is assembling at Durban, the chief town of the Colony of Natal, on the southeast coast, is under sealed orders and nobody knows why it is called together or what it is to do. It is supposed to be going to Delagoa bay to make a demonstration of British supremacy in South Africa.

Nine war vessels have arrived at Durban already—the first-class cruiser St. George, Admiral Ransom's flagship; the third-class battleship Monarch, the cruisers Fox, Phalcon, Arctur, Scylla, Brisk and Philomel and gunboat Magpie. Three more men-of-war are expected, making a fleet of twelve formidable fighting ships.

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